Dear Jim, 8/30/93

A short while ago Hamburg phoned. Our conversation upset me and I have remained upset, one of the changes since my health problems began. My systollic blood pressure soars. I'LL try to explain while still disturbed by it.

Hamburg introduced himself without any reference to Stone. He told me he wants to write an oped piece for the Times. He started talking about a few things of the past, distant past, on which much nutty energy has been dissipated when the time for that kind of thing is long past. He began with the man the CIA said was Oswald in MxCity (Odum 1/CE 237?) and referred to the present disclosure in the Lopez report that he was a KGB agent. I asked him if he really believed that a real KGB agent would leave a Russian embassy by its front door in daylight. I told him that the HSCA was what it as because its sole interest was in conspiracy theories. He'd asked if I have the Lopez report and I told him I do not. He then said that he and HSCA had the name of the Oswald imposter at the Cuban consulate. I asked him if that imposter wrote in Oseald's certifiable handwriting. When he got to Duran and the conjecture she slept with Oswald I asked him if he had any reason to believe she lacked sleeping partners and told him that I had always believed that she was CIA. He said they also believe it. I asked if they include any substantiation, he said no. They do not, from what I took his nonresponse to mean, even have that Phillips testified to having a live agent inside that consulate. I could have gone farthur and did not. He got back to that Odum 1/CE 237 CIA picture and I asked what importance that has today. He was surprised, perhaps unhappy, and did not answer. Before we got to this point I told him I have nothing to do with theorized conspiracies. He asked me who I think did it. I tried to explain to him why that cannot be done responsibly and he interrupted. He wanted much to say what he wanted to say and was reluctant for me to interrupt when I thought I should and continued talking. But on Mexico, which interested him, I told him how he could clobber Posner, on his statement that no identified tape of Oswald was made and preserved. I started to tell him how it was flown to Dallas, what happened there, as we learned that when I knew enough to seek answers, identified the lawsuits & him and told him you have my affidavits. I did not get to tell him they are documented. I told him that that Oswald tape was listened to in Dallas and that a three-page TT was sent to FBIHQ summarizing it. Then HQ TT'ed Dallas and asked fof a verbatim transcript, and that both were withheld in 0322. I suggested that he ask for them. No response. When he talked about Tony Summers I told him that Tony's improvisations and inventions were clobbered effectively by Posner and that is the problem he'll run into if he uses any of what Tony says without real substantiation. He did not understand what I was trying to tell him about ~~Posner~~ Summers and Carolyn Arnold and Posner so when he showed no interest I dropped that Early on I asked him if he had what I gave Dave and Dave gave you on the Willis girl. He had paid no attention to it. Instead he went into camera jiggles and I told him there are many, I brought them to light in 1965 and that the giggling alone does not have to

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mean in reaction to a shot but if it was then Zapruder alone reflects quite a few shots. I told him, after asking him if he had the page of the Willis girl's testimony, he said he had and he showed no interest. I brought him back to it and tried to explain it, He had no interest. I was getting more upset and told him how it disproves the whole Posner concoction based upon a known misconstruction of it, that did not interest him, but I continued with its significance briefly, assuring him that it alone destroys both what Posner built on it and his integrity. He did not ask how but I told him, explaining first that Posner had ignored her sworn testinony and resorted to remote later second-hand or more distant versions. No interest. I told him Zapruder told Secret Service on 11/22 that he heard or felt the first shot coming from over his right shoulder and where he could get this. No questions asked. I emphasized the positiveness of the Willis girl's self-placement and the emphasis with which she testified how she knew it was the second shot that missed, not the first, no interest. None either when I explained how that made a liar of Posner on his first shot/162 concoction was disproven by his deliberate ignoring of the most probative evidence from that girl. He did not have it in front of him. This is simple, I am sure he did not understand it then and that he did not want to when I tried to tell him. For one thing I guess he does not like any criticism of conspiracy theorizing and another is that he does not want to face the undependability of what he likes, likes the Summers disaster in Posner to all except conspiracy theory afficianados. Posner really does a job on Tony and uses him to symbolize all of us. For an oped piece he could have had a solid business with that Willis girl and Posner/162; on Zapruder and the jiggers without this false representation of that girl and what she said and with what Zapruder told the Secret Service. I guess it is that all have their own theories or are addicted to those of others want and see nothing else, unless it is their own, and that after all these years none learned that they lead to and really mean nothing except more trouble when blasted. There may have been more but I think this is enough to indicate that I'll be surprised it the gets anything the Times would consider and he did not care about anything else. Or if they use it it again hurts all. Because he did not identify himself with Stone I asked him. He said yes. I told him that I believe Stone will have nothing to do with me but that if he really wants to destroy Posner and the official nythology, with the attention he can get and what I have he can do it. He gave me the impression that Stone really does not care now. I told him that my only objection to Stone's movie is that he represented it to be non-fiction but as fiction he has the right to do anything he wants. I told him most of those I help are those I disagree with so what Stone has done means nothing to me and that I can do what Stone cannot dream of doing but that he can get the attention I cannot get. He argued about Stone not representing the movie as nonfiction and I told him that two weeks after Lardner's piece it was in the Times-Picayune but that I nonetheless repeated my offer of complete and unsupervised access to all I have to him. I also told him that long before Stone started shooting, that 2/8, I wrote him in detail telling him that

he could not record history via Garrison, got no answer, and that when a copy of the script Stone himself had given away was given to me I then gave it all to Lardner but that I really have no conern about Stone calling me a thief when that was an obvious physical impossibility or referring to me as all those CIA "recipied" reporters or all ~~that hawk~~ those hawks ready to pick his bones, if we have a common interest I'll give him with documented fact what he cannot dream of. There is no need to go into more of this. I even had to ask him if he represents Stone. When he did not respond or react I asked him if he intended not to tell Stone anything I told him and he finally said, yes, he would. No enthusiasm and no interest in even getting it straight in his own mind so he can tell Stone. So I expect nothing from that.

If he could have gotten all the theories and Lopez junk out of mind for his oped piece I had given him enough and could have and would have given him more. But he did not even try to understand what he did not even have with him so I could explain it to him, those two pages of the Willis girl's testimony he referred to as one (in length it is that but it is on two pages. He did not get it so he could have it explained and he did not make any notes fast as I was going unless he knows shorthand or taped. The Zapruder stuff he asked nothing at all about, quintessential as that is to Posner. That Posner lied in saying there was no tape extant of Oswald's voice when the FBI had it and a transcript of it, nah, why fool with anything factual, officially and by Posner lied about and what was lied about in court when he can titolate about Durant's ex sex with Oswald or that broad-daylight to be photographed by the CIA KGB agent.

So, by having no interest in what is real and can be powerful against Posner, ~~at least~~ which I take to be Stone's interest, and getting lost in the trivia games I expect nothing to come of this. If he should speak to Stone I doubt he knows or understood enough to give him any real understanding of what I can offer other than a general statement I made of its potential. I think he probably knows Stone's attitude and knows Stone has gotten all he wants or can see and that will be it.

To simplify once again, the conspiracy theories and ~~their~~ devotion to it to the exclusion of all other understanding continues to be what it always was, the major impediment to any real accomplishment of any kind, ranging from making the government's position impossible to destroying its literary whores. If Stone really want to get even with Posner neither he nor any of his people know how they can and knowing his mind make no effort to and have no interest in learning.

I have the impression that I waste time in dealing with any supposedly representing Stone without some reason to believe it and without their interest in learning and understanding anything other than mythology. Unless there is some indication of something like this I'd just as leave hear nothing further on his supposed behalf. I can use that time constructively.

Resumed 10/31. I remained upset over the whole thing, the futility all of you create with kids' games, the blindness to what is real in the face of a real opportunity. I had little more time for Posner after I finished packaging the book orders, and I did not trust myself for more work so I read to relax a little.

Please listen to me and try to learn. Collectively all of you do not know what to do or how to do it when confronted with an unprecedented opportunity, and Stone does present ~~the~~ means of doing it. Some of you will read Posner and get a bit here and there but collectively all you cosnpiracy theorists cannot begin to do what I am doing and in the Dave will have raw if I cannot put it together. The press talks to you (pl.) and you are still in the kids' games ~~fg~~ class. I here refer to the current disclosures. Collectively you could not think of the right way to approach the ffagments in Connally when he died. And collectively you never learn, never change, and I suppose are incapable of thinking now in any other ways.

And there is permeating selfishness (you are one of the exceptions) in all of this, ego-tripping, too, and desires for personal accomplishment and recognition, that blinds those with the means of making possible rapidly as possible what could have been. Now I am not asking for anything in what I tell you but I am telling you that if someone like Stone, with the means and the desire to do something, had merely gotten me someone to transcribe I could have dictated a devasting analysis and commentary of the Posner book by now and it could be partly transcribed and I could have indicated what to use with it that is not conspiracy theory and I fear that all of you together do not have the remotest idea of what this means and would mean with attentiin. And Stone can get attention. All of you together could not figure out that to do this you have to talk to him and then know how to talk to him.

Having no alternative I have to hold the book in one hand an annotate it with the other hand and Dave is the only one who can read it. I'm having Lil xerox the pages and when I've finished I'll go over them and prepare what xeroxes prove he lied and knew he lied. But by the time I'm done there will not be the current interest in his book and it will have sold a zillion copies. And influenced many, many people, especially those most important, including the media. When I've finished what I'll be able to do I'll give Dave the xeroxes and again we'll have another record for history, and no more. When we could have had much more, what I think none of you can dream of. Once again, and ever more.

I can't take excitement or disturbance as I used to so, it now being the time I leave for my early-morning walking, for the first time since I've had Posner's book I'm not taking it with me to read while resting. I remain that upset by this never-ending fucking up, this time by a bright and I suppose fine man who worked for a federal judge, and he is hung up on and all of you collectively got him and so many others hung up on conspiracy theories that never once did any good except in the pockets of some like Summers, with disaster the inevitable result. I'll correct this when I return. Posner is an opportunity possible. Fruit of the theory seed. #